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### Agricultural and Horticultural Matters.

The grain crop in Eastern Oregon and Washington Territory is the largest and best in its history. Every field of fall or spring wheat, barley and oats will yield a full crop, which is something never known before.

Reports of the peach crop of apparently an authentic character assert that although the huge bags of off almost every peach in Delaware several weeks ago, the crop is now ripening rapidly and will be one of the largest ever gathered.

Portland people complain of the failure of the blossom of sweet peas this season. A lady who lives in Lewiston enters the same complaint. In this city, while some complain of the failure of the blossom, others are being rewarded for their painstaking cultivation of an unusual number of most perfect flowers, showing that the trouble is with the management and not the season.

When the fruit begins to fall, crows should be kept out of apple orchards. Green apples are not very nutritious, though crows, like young boys, will eat them by the wholesale. It is the unusual supply that does crows most damage. A few apples each day will do them no harm. But any day there is liable to occur a wind storm which may blow off one-third to one-half the fruit do the trees. A crow then will gorge herself and as to stop her flow of milk almost entirely, and only with great care feeding her and only with great care feeding her and only with great care feeding her.

Some people have an idea that grapes are ripened by the heat of the sun shining upon them, and therefore cut and slash their grapevines during the latter part of summer. The leaves of the vine are its lungs. They are essential to perfecting the fruit, especially the leaf opposite the bunch, which is most likely to be cut away in mistake for letting in sunlight; without this leaf the bunch will ripen slowly and never attain its best flavor. Too much cutting away of the vines is apt to start dormant buds and thus ruin the crop for next year.

Only a few people are growing grapes in this city. The present month is a good time to get out a supply of swamp muck. It is possible to answer the question as to the exact value of this material as applied to land. The quality of muck varies greatly, some of it not being worth the expense of removing it from the bays, even when this can be done with ease. The fertilizing value of most mucks depends largely on the nitrogen they contain, and that this element may be available, the muck is subjected to a process of decomposition. The nitrogen must be liberated from its insoluble organic compounds, and in soluble substances, as the nitrates, and ammonia compounds. To secure this, muck should be either placed in a cap and subjected to the influence of the sun and thawing—wintering it is best—or be mixed with manure in a compost heap, and there undergo a decomposition, to fit it for use as a fertilizer.

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Pairs to Occur in Maine. Androscoggin Agricultural and Horticultural Society—Lewiston, October 4, 5, 6. Bridgton Farmers' and Mechanics' Club—Bridgton, October 11, 12, 13. Central Washington Agricultural Society—Machias, September 21, 22. Cumberland Farmers' Club—Cumberland, September 21, 22. Cushing Grange Fair—Augusta, September 20, 21. Eastern Maine State Fair—Bangor, August 30, 31, September 1, 2. Franklin County Agricultural Society—Farmington, October 4, 5, 6. Gray Park Association—Gray, September 13, 14, 15. Harrison Farmers' Club—Harrison, October 5, 6. Knox County Agricultural and Horticultural Society—Sopris, September 27, 28, 29, 30. Maine State Fair—Lewiston, September 27, 28, 29, 30. North Kennebec Agricultural Society—Presque Isle, September 12, 13, 14, 15. North Kennebec Agricultural and Horticultural Society—Waterville, September 27, 28, 29. North Waldo Agricultural Society—Unity, October 4, 5, 6. Ossipee Valley Union Agricultural Society—September 13, 14, 15. Penobscot County Agricultural, Cattle Show and Fair—Bangor, September 13, 14, 15. Sagadahoc Agricultural and Horticultural Society—Bangor, October 4, 5, 6. Somerset Agricultural Society—Bangor, September 20, 21, 22. West Kennebec Agricultural Society—Bangor, September 27, 28, 29. West Washington Agricultural Society—Cherryfield, September 28, 29.

Grange Meetings. Maine State Grange—December 20, 21, 22, 23. Kennebec Pomona—Albion, August 21. Penobscot Pomona—Annual Meeting, Milo, August 18. Sagadahoc Pomona—West Woolwich, August 13. Whitehead Meetings. Hancock County—Bangor, August 11. Penobscot County—North Etna, Tuesday, August 16. Piscataquis County—Dover, Wednesday, August 17. Somerset and Kennebec Counties—Skowhegan, Thursday, August 18. Cumberland and York Counties—Seligo Lake, Friday, August 19.

Rev. F. E. Clark, of Boston, who was the pioneer of, and is familiarly called the "father of the Christian Endeavor society movement," said at a recent meeting of several of the Christian Endeavor societies in Manchester, N. H., "I do not come here, my friends, to apologize in any sense for the Christian Endeavor societies that come and talk shop, yea, because it is the desire of the young people. It is the desire to see the young people come into the church and be in close communion with the Lord. The object of the Christian Endeavor society is to bring and keep the young people in the church, and to bind them more closely to the teachings of the Bible. I am pleased to see with what interest the older people are welcoming the younger ones, and how they are doing the work. The Christian Endeavor societies of the church are cordial and affectionate recognition to order to allow them to do the most good. We are a working for the best interests of the church, but at the same time seems to me as though it is a church said to the young people, 'O my